



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Attorney Docket No.: 37991-0017

Applicant: Bertrand Pain et al. Confirmation No. 8939
Appl. No.: 10/625,847 Examiner: Sumesh Kaushal
Filing Date: July 24, 2003 Art Unit: 1633
Title: AVIAN CELL LINES USEFUL FOR THE PRODUCTION OF
SUBSTANCES OF INTEREST

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This responds to the Office Action mailed March 22, 2006. A Petition for Two Month Extension of time and the requisite fee is attached.

Applicants hereby elect with traverse, Group I, claims 1-25 and 54-57, drawn to a method of producing avian cell lines, for prosecution in the subject application. Applicants argue that it would not be unduly burdensome for the Examiner to examine each of the Groups identified in the Restriction Requirement. The Examiner also has subjected this application to an election of species requirement. In further response, applicants herewith elect non-adherent cells and embryonic stem cells for examination purposes. Claim 1 is generic. Other claims which are "readable" upon this election are claims 2-8, 11-13, 15-25 and 54-57.

Applicants, of course, reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications covering the subject matter of the non-elected claims. It is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for examination, and an early action on the merits is courteously requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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